

Group I. Claims 1-22, drawn to an article of manufacture, classified in Class 257, subclass 33.

Group II. Claim 23-30, drawn to a process of manufacture, classified in class 438, subclass 1\*.

The Examiner stated as follows:

The inventions of Groups I and II are related as process of making and product made. The inventions are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process. In the instant case, the product as claimed can be made by a materially different process, such as a non-inclined deposition method with subsequent etching along a desired crystal plane.

The Examiner also stated that because these inventions are distinct for the above reasons and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes is proper.

Applicants, provisionally elect Group 1, claims 1-22, drawn to an article of manufacture

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